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BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of the Village of Black Earth Electric Utility and the Village of
Mazomanie Electric Utility for Approval of an Agreement with the
Vanguard Electric Commission Pursuant to the Affiliated Interest Statute

05-AE-116

NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION

On January 2, 2003, Black Earth and Mazomanie filed an application under Wis. Stat. § 196.52 for approval of a service agreement with Vanguard. Under the proposed affiliated interest agreement, supervisory and non-supervisory employee services, accounting and management services, and the purchase, maintenance, and utilization of equipment and inventory would be centralized and provided by Vanguard. The actual costs of providing these services would be charged back to Black Earth and Mazomanie based on the actual services used by each village utility.

THIS IS AN INVESTIGATION of the proposed affiliated interest agreement between the Village of Black Earth Electric Utility (Black Earth) and the Village of Mazomanie Electric Utility (Mazomanie) and the Vanguard Electric Utility Commission (Vanguard).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Randy Hillebrand at (608) 267-1473.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission